

ARABIC LEVEL 2

ألف صغيرة – ياء صغيرة – واو صغيرة

REMEMBER

We previously went over letters of elongation, which elongate the sound of a harakah. There is another type of elongation which is found solely in the Mushaf which we will learn about today.

اتَّبِعُوا مَا أَسْخَطَ اللَّهَ وَكَرِهُوا رِضْوَانَهُ فَأَحْبَطَ أَعْمَالَهُمْ ﴿٢٨﴾ أَمْ حَسِبَ الَّذِينَ
فِي قُلُوبِهِمْ مَرَضًا أَنْ لَنْ يُخْرِجَ اللَّهُ أَضْغَانَهُمْ ﴿٢٩﴾ وَلَوْ نَشَاءُ لَأَرَيْنَاكُمْ
فَلَعَرَفْتَهُمْ بِسِيمِهِمْ وَلَعَرَفْتَهُمْ فِي لَحْنِ الْقَوْلِ وَاللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ أَعْمَالَكُمْ ﴿٣٠﴾

سُورَةُ الْاِنْفِصَارِ

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ياء صغيرة

Sometimes in the Mushaf, you may find small alifs, yaas, and
waaws.

Have you ever wondered what they mean?

WHY ARE THEY USED?

These letters are used to indicate that a madd (or elongation) is to be pronounced, although it's not explicitly written.

An example of this is the Name of Allah ar Rahmaan.

In Arabic, it is written as such:

الرَّحْمَنُ

Note the small Alif above the meem.



ANOTHER EXAMPLE

﴿لِيُبْدِيَ لَهُمَا مَا وُورِيَ عَنْهُمَا﴾ [الأعراف: 20]

Note the small waaw after the regular waaw. This small waaw elongates the sound of the other one.



ANOTHER EXAMPLE

﴿إِلَّا فِيهِمْ رِحْلَةَ الْشِّتَاءِ وَالصَّيْفِ﴾ [قریش: 2]

Here, we have a small yaa directly after the alif. This small yaa elongates the sound of the kasrah under the alif.

NOTICE

The small alif, yaa, and waaw are generally not used outside of the Quran.

Due to this, the only examples mentioned here were taken from verses of the Quran.

As for regular writing outside of the Quran, then the small alif, yaa, and waaw are usually omitted in writing.



LET'S USE WHAT WE KNOW!

Mark  on the box that has the same sound as the letter on the right

<div>ضُوا</div> <div>ضُ</div>	<div>ضِدْ-و</div>	<div>نِي</div> <div>نِي</div>	<div>نِ-ه</div>
<div>ذَا</div> <div>زَا</div>	<div>زَا</div>	<div>شُو</div> <div>شُوا</div>	<div>شِدْ-و</div>
<div>لَا</div> <div>لَا</div>	<div>لَا</div>	<div>خِي</div> <div>خِ</div>	<div>خِ-ه</div>
<div>غِي</div> <div>عِي</div>	<div>غِ-ه</div>	<div>هُوَا</div> <div>حُوا</div>	<div>هُ-و</div>